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GLORIOUS FOURTH IS ASSURED FOR MORENCI

Enthusiastic Meeting of Committee-men is Held on Evening of Friday Which Results in Assurance that July 4 will Be Celebrated Here as Never Before—Magnificent Display of Fireworks Most Prominent Feature—Entertainment Continued Through out July 5.

Morenci, Arizona, June 12, 1914.—At a completely enthusiastic and widely attended meeting of Morenci citizens held at the new Morenci courthouse on the evening of Friday, all plans were made for the town's celebrating the nation's natal day with a continual round of pleasures that will pale the many former successful similar celebrations to the town's renown.

At the meeting Friday all committee-men were appointed for every phase of the celebration, a complete list of prizes was formulated, and general arrangements made for the various features of entertainment in the main. The various committees, all subsidiary to the general arrangements committee, will meet on the evening of Friday, June 19, and there report in full as to their detailed arrangements for the conduct of the entertainments to be followed in their various lines. The sports committee-men will meet on the evening of Monday, June 15, to render their report, and will also attend the meeting of Friday. These meetings will be held at the courthouse. With thoughts of the complete success of the celebration of last year, the various committee-men there serving were as far as possible again appointed this year.

At the meeting of Friday, definite announcement was made that the plans already formed concerning the principal features of the celebration would be followed. Clifton's base ball team will contest here with Morenci, and for attractive prizes. All phases of sports will entertain. Dances will be held for the entertainment of both Americans and Mexicans, and music for this amusement, as for all throughout the day, will be of the best possible to obtain. Chairman Donahue announced that all arrangements had been made for a display of fireworks that will prove to be one of the most beautiful and enjoyable entertainment features ever presented to the people of Morenci.

Great Fireworks Display.
The fireworks display alone is expected to attract hundreds of visitors from Clifton and surrounding towns, as never before has an entertainment of such magnificence been afforded the people of this section. Seven hundred dollars will be spent for this feature alone, and to the illuminants an expert has been secured from San Francisco. The most brilliant pageants of cities do not offer similar features of more diverse beauties. From the highest points above the Morenci amphitheatre these illuminants will be streaming for more than two hours. This display will consist of seventy-two distinct numbers, all of rare beauty, vividly illustrating as they do the highest and most modern of the maker's art. While all of the numbers are beautiful, the following are mentioned as perhaps of the most novel in colors and simulations:
Aerial Salute—Six heavy maroons exploding in the sky with terrific report.
Yellowstone Geysers—Six mammoth in size, whirling upwards in great columns of fire.
Mines of Golconda—Four great bursts of gorgeous brilliants.
The Pyroplane—A miniature aeroplane rising and descending and soaring through the air.
Fourbillions—Six mammoth columns of fire bursting into a golden canopies.
The Dragon's Nest—Four heavy bursts, releasing hundreds of hissing fiery dragons.
The Emerald Trailer—A great display of brilliant stars with silver trails, reaching far beneath.
Golden Diamond Bombshell—The most gorgeous of all bombs, brilliant nuggets with diamond scintillations.
Aerial bonquets—Three heavy rockets each a brilliant display of Arizona native flowers.
The Butterfly Bomb—Releasing a cloud of fluttering golden butterflies.
Boquet of Golden Poppies—A great display of brilliant clusters of shimmering golden meteors, each beautifully simulating a bunch of Poppies, seventy feet in height.
The Gatling Battery—Volleying hundreds of shots of brilliantly colored bullets.
Boquet of Roses—Bursting forth into a great volume of brilliant rose tints forming an immense boquet resembling a cluster of American beauty roses.
Field of Cloth of Gold—Great bombshells bursting covering almost an acre in extent with a dazzling golden canopy.
The American Flag—In all its beauty of colors in Red, White, and Blue an area of fifty square feet.
Niagara Falls—In liquid silver fire, falling from an elevation in a dazzling shimmering torrent with rising mist and roar of the great falls. One of the most beautiful spectacles in fireworks.
Finale, "Good Night"—Combination in letters of tinted fire, embellished with fountains. Throughout the dis-

ELECTION OFFICERS CHOSEN.

Board of Supervisors Appoints Officials to Conduct Primary Election in September.

At the meeting of the Board of Supervisors this week the following election officers were appointed to conduct the Primary Election in the different precincts on September 8th: Clifton—Inspector, J. J. Kelly; Judges, L. F. Sweeting and C. H. Love; Clerks, M. O. Simms, Mrs. W. B. Mitchell, E. T. Morton, Mrs. Walter Penn.

Morenci—Inspector, Allan Kritchbaum; Judges, W. H. Moon, W. J. Donahue; Clerks, W. J. Collins, Mrs. W. W. Dutton, R. W. Chamberlain, Mrs. E. F. Hart.

Metcalfe—Inspector, Jesse Simmonds; Judges, Earnest Spriggs, S. F. Langford; Clerks, Kit Carson and Jack Scott.

Duncan—Inspector, Ger. Phillips; Judges, B. R. Leanneau, J. L. T. Waters; Clerks, Cecil Harris, Mrs. J. R. Fowler.

Guthrie—Inspector, J. W. Beck; Judges, P. R. Van Bibber, M. B. Emerson; Clerks, J. H. Brown, Rafael Medina.

York—Inspector, Walter Hutchins; Judges, R. R. Webster and T. B. Holder; Clerks, E. Day and W. L. Austin.

Sheldon—Inspector, John K. Chilton; Judges, Geo. B. Gamble and Tim Chapman; Clerks, Floyd Hightower and H. R. Martin.

Franklin—Inspector, James Gale; Judges, Frank McGrath and Joe Wilkins; Clerks, Mrs. Jasper Gale and Aubrey Gilliland.

Blue—Inspector, H. T. Cosper; Judges, Frank Hodges and Geo. Thompson; Clerks, DeWitt Cosper and W. F. Hagan.

Eagle—Inspector, Wade Harris; Judges, A. T. Wilson and J. H. McCurdy; Clerks, Mrs. Baylor Shannon and Cleve Miller.

Board Adjourns.

The Board of Supervisors finished their labors this week and adjourned until July. Several days were occupied with equalization matters.

play will be the explosion of bombshells which in their flight upwards and bursting will simulate the most beautiful scenes in nature. Trailing rockets will make formations of every imaginable description.

Committees:
Arrangements—W. J. Donahue, W. P. Weller, Rod McDougall, Jas. Wester, J. N. Stanger, A. Allen, J. M. Lally.

Horse Racing—J. A. Hart, Jas. Zumwalt, J. Hoffman, Larkin Neal, and J. McCaul.

Sports—A. L. Gravelly, Rod McDougall, J. A. Hart, A. Allen, C. Chisholm, F. J. Hill, W. J. Donahue.

Drilling and Mucking—Nick Chesterfield, Wm. Richards, J. Rolli, P. Randall, J. Wester, W. J. Roberts, Geo. Haedicke, J. Rosevear.

Fireworks—W. J. Donahue, A. Allen, A. L. Gravelly, C. A. Johnson.

Tennis Tournament—W. P. Weller and Dr. A. M. Tuthill.

Base Ball—R. Saunders and Juan Montes.

Prizes.—R. W. Chamberlain and Juan Montes.

Finance—J. M. Lally, F. Watson, C. A. Johnson, E. V. Kuble, A. Allen, T. J. Kelly, W. J. Donahue, and A. Davidson.

Prizes Offered.
The prizes for the various features of the day's sporting and other events are as follows:

Tennis match, \$50.00; Greased pole contest, \$5.00; Drilling, single jack, first prize \$25.00, second prize \$10.00; Drilling, with double jack, first prize \$50.00, second prize \$25.00; Mucking, first prize \$30.00, second prize \$15.00; Ball Game, for first day's game \$150.00, and for second day's game \$100.00, with the proportion going to winning team to be decided by teams' leaders; Cricket Game, \$55.00; Free-for-all horse race, first prize \$20.00, and second prize \$10.00; Relay Horse Race, first prize \$25.00, second prize \$15.00; Ladies Pony Race, first prize \$20.00, second prize \$10.00; Cigar Race on horses, prize to be box of cigars employed in contest; Broncho Riding, \$75; \$300.00 will be spent for music. In addition to these amounts decided upon probabilities are that substantial increases will be uniformly made, as indications are that probably \$2,500.00 will be subscribed for the funds for the celebration. Several hundred dollars are remaining in the treasury from the subscriptions of last year's celebration, the solicitors under Judge Lally's direction at that time securing \$1,500.00 within three days of effort.

Sports Prominent.
The list of sports, always of especial interest with the Morenci celebrants, will be fully followed this year. In horse racing and broncho riding, and allied feats, special attention have been given, and notices have been sent to all the ranches of this section that Morenci is awaiting their cowboys' coming for the demonstrations genuine. And in foot races and kindred athletic contests, abundant skill will compete for liberal prizes. The contests in work connected with mining will prove interesting to many entrants and onlookers. Two games of base ball will be played, one between the teams of Clifton and Morenci, and another between the Mexicans and Americans of Morenci.

Amusement Protracted.
From the program formulated, and this will be largely increased from its present list of numbers, the celebration will continue throughout the day following the Fourth, making practically two days of the entertainment.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROVIDING FOR \$5,000,000 BOND ISSUE FOR THE STATE HIGHWAY

Amendment Comprises 1500 Miles at an Approximate Cost of \$3300 per Mile; Many Tourists Will Be Attracted to State.

The state engineer has prepared a measure for the construction of a series of good roads throughout the state at a cost of \$5,000,000. The matter is to be brought about as a constitutional amendment and will provide funds, if approved, for completing the state highway. The proposition will be submitted to the voters for acceptance or rejection on November 3, at the regular election.

The principal features of the amendment are:
The designation and provision for the construction of a system of state highways. One across the north from the Needles through Springerville; one across the south from Yuma to Phoenix, thence by two routes, via Globe through Clifton and via Tucson through Douglas; and one north to south from the Grand Canyon to Nogales. A system of highways connecting every county seat and nearly all the largest towns in the state.

A bond issue of \$5,000,000, bearing interest not to exceed 5 per cent per annum and to be retired between 1920 and 1950. Said bonds to be issued and old by the loan commissioners of the state (the governor, treasurer and auditor) at such times and in such amount that the board of control (the governor, auditor and citizen member) decide is necessary to carry on the construction work.

This fund is to be expended by the state board of control and the state engineer and under the direction of the latter. Disbursements are to be made on claims approved by the state engineer and audited by the state auditor.

At least 75 per cent of the amount that each county contributes to this fund must be expended in such county; 25 per cent will constitute a general fund which will be expended in those counties that have the largest or most difficult mileage to construct with a proportionately small fund per mile.

As it is possible that some securities may have more than sufficient to construct the highways enumerated in the amendment, it has been provided that the unexpended credit or balance may be expended on such other state highways as selected by the respective boards of supervisors and the state engineer.

The creation of a state highway advisory board of five members who will serve without salary. As its

name would imply it will be the duty of this board to advise the state engineer as to all questions pertaining to the expenditure of the fund in the construction of the state highway system and to make frequent inspections of the work. It will also be their duty to keep a check on all expenditures by examination of the accounts of the office of the state engineer and to give publicity to their funds both as to the construction work and expenditures by reports to the governor.

The system of highways designated in this amendment comprises about 1500 miles and the bond issue of \$5,000,000 will therefore provide and average of about \$3300 per mile. The actual cost of construction per mile of road will vary from a few hundred to several thousand dollars, dependent upon the topography of the country, availability of road material and the traffic to be accommodated. The fund is sufficient for such construction of this system of highways as will be commensurate with the traffic and development of the state for some years to come.

The greater portion of this fund probably from 80 to 90 per cent, will go into the most permanent construction, grading, draining, culverts and bridges, which, with ordinary maintenance, will far outlast the life of the bonds. The balance will go into surfacing, principally with local material, as caliche, gravel, decomposed granite, etc., and where the traffic is too heavy for such material a more expensive road surfacing will have to be adopted, such as slag, macadam, bituminous concrete or cement concrete. More careful study will have to be given to this subject of proper surfacing than to any other in connection with the construction of these highways, therefore it is of greatest importance in the event this amendment carries, that the highway advisory board consist largely of men whose training and experience will enable them to aid, by their advice, the state engineer in properly solving the road surfacing and other kindred problems. It is necessary that they be of such standing in the state as to insure confidence among the people that this fund is being honestly and efficiently expended for the purpose it was intended. They will have all the authority necessary to do this; authority to inspect the work, to examine the accounts and to make public their findings. Publicity is the best and only necessary safeguard to put around the expenditure of public funds. It protects both the public and the honest official.

JUNE COURT TERM COMES TO END THIS WEEK

After Being in Session for Ten Days the Criminal and Civil Docket is Disposed of and Jury is Discharged for Term.

After clearing up the criminal and civil calendar in a court session which lasted for ten days, Judge Laine on Wednesday discharged the jury for the term. Only one criminal case was continued, State of Arizona vs. C. I. Paddock goes over until the October term of court by consent of the prosecution, after stipulations had been entered into to the effect that in the event any of the State's witnesses could not be found in October that their testimony, used in the present trial, would be read to the jury. The first trial of the Paddock case resulted in a hung jury for the reason that the jury was unable to agree on the degree of punishment.

Judge McAllister, of Graham county, arrived in Clifton on Saturday evening and opened court for Judge Laine on Monday morning in the trial of the civil case of Sierra de Oro Mining Co. vs. Becker-Franz Co., in which Judge Laine was disqualified. This was a trial before a jury for a right-of-way for a tunnel which it was alleged had been driven on ground owned by the defendant company. The trial lasted the greater part of Monday and the jury brought in a verdict in favor of the defendant, Becker-Franz Co.

The case of Nicholas Cole vs. J. S. Antonelli was, on motion of the plaintiff, continued for the October term. The attention of the court was occupied on Tuesday in the trial of a suit for debt brought by A. F. Hoffman vs. J. F. Nichols, administrator of the Estate of Geo. Gillard, deceased. The claim was for \$987.50 and the plaintiff alleged this sum was due him for wages on account of labor performed at the Gillard Hot Springs during 1912-13, which had never been paid. Several witnesses were examined in behalf of the plaintiff and after being out a short time the jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for the full amount.

In the case of Jose Salinas vs. Solomon Sawai, a suit to foreclose a builders' lien, judgment was rendered in the sum of \$961.75.

Before the Clerk of the Superior Court this week Grant Phillips, of Morenci, filed his petition for citizenship.

Attorney I. L. Quist this week received his appointment as Notary Public and filed his bond with the Clerk of the Court.

Damage Suit.
Another damage suit was filed in the Superior Court this week entitled Fco. Gonzales, administrator of the estate of Fco. Gonzales, deceased, vs. The Shannon Copper Co. The amount sued for is \$2430.00 and the claim is based upon accidental death of Gonzales while employed as a miner by the Shannon Company during 1913.

Recorded Documents.
The following documents were filed for record in the office of the County Recorder this week:
Satisfaction of Mortgage—Bank of Duncan to Bart Tipton.
Mining Deed—R. Stephens to Walter Doudna.
Agreement—Dan Lynch to Walter Doudna.
Power of Attorney—Tomasso Siriani to Fedeles Monaco.
Chattel Mortgage—H. K. Catlin to First National Bank.
Warranty Deed—Henry Hill to R. W. Simpson.
Satisfaction of Mortgage—H. A. Martin to Virgie E. Burtcher.
Warranty Deed—J. H. Kerby to S. A. Foster.
Chattel Mortgage—B. Reyes to J. Ricardo Perez.
Warranty Deed—Henry Hill to Mrs. Cotto Shaw.
Chattel Mortgage—J. O. Phillips to Auto Trading Co.
Bill of Sale—Bartoldo Russi to Antonio Russi.
Chattel Mortgage—Antonio Russi to G. V. B. & T. Co.
Quit Claim Deed—D. M. Potter to Anna Keppeler.
Warranty Deed—Henry Hill to Norman T. Holt.
Warranty Deed—J. L. Spaw to Cecil Harris.
Realty Mortgage—Geo. B. Gamble to Bank of Duncan.
Realty Mortgage—Jas. V. Parks to W. T. Witt.
Satisfaction of Mortgage—G. V. B. & T. Co., to F. R. Hightower.
Satisfaction of Mortgage—W. T. Sanders to F. R. Hightower.
Satisfaction of Mortgage—First National Bank to F. M. Hodges.

Tax Suits Entered.
Since the mailing of notices to delinquent taxpayers by Treasurer Webster that suit would be entered this month according to law to enforce payment of taxes for 1913, a large number of delinquents have responded with the cash. A few delinquents still remain unpaid and this week County Attorney Horton entered suit on behalf of the State against Chas. Olmstead, Refugio Miranda, W. T. Richards, J. P. Risque, Bartoldo Blanco, Toles Cosper, of Franklin, and Mrs. C. E. Waters for delinquent taxes for the year 1913.

Marriage Licenses.
Marriage licenses were issued by the Clerk of the County Court this

Veile Car Containing Eight Passengers Falls Seventy-five Feet Down Side of Mountain and Two are Seriously Injured.

As a result of an accident, which occurred on the Clifton-Morenci road, shortly after midnight Friday, a Veile 40-car lies at the bottom of a canyon about two miles from Clifton, almost a total wreck, and Shorty Jarrett and A. R. Coleman and Dick Goode are in the A. C. hospital suffering from injuries received in the wild dash of the car down the mountain side.

Shortly after midnight a party of five engaged the Veile car owned by Clay Pridmore, who recently came here from Silver City, for a trip to Morenci. Just as the car was leaving its stand on Chase Creek two other men boarded the car, jumping on the running board as the car started. Included in the party were Shorty Jarrett, of Clifton, an employee of the A. C. machine shops; A. R. Coleman, of Twin Peaks; M. E. Perry, formerly of Morenci but at present living at Duncan; Clay Pridmore, driver; and Messrs. Reed, Willard, Sidebotham, Tom Windham and Dick Goode.

Climbing the hill out of Clifton the car was traveling at a slow rate of speed, according to the driver not to exceed five miles an hour. Two hacks coming toward Clifton were passed and as the car was making a turn in a narrow part of the road a third hack was encountered. Pridmore turned to the right side of the road allowing sufficient room for the hack to pass but state failed to the driver of the hack failed to pull out and he was forced to swerve his car to the extreme right of the road to avoid a collision. As he did so the two right hand wheels went over the crown of the road into the soft dirt. For a second the car stopped, then tilted. The right hand rear wheel gave way and in another instant the car was rolling and tumbling down the steep embankment to the bottom of the canyon below fully a distance of seventy-five feet.

The two men on the running board jumped to safety and were not injured. The remaining six went down with the car. The body of Shorty Jarrett was pinned beneath the car when it first turned over and he was found a few feet below the roadway. He was badly crushed and when carried to the hospital was bleeding internally. Dick Goode was cut about the head and severely bruised. The remaining passengers escaped with minor injuries, including the driver, who went to the bottom with his car, still retaining hold on the steering wheel.

A Cadillac car containing three passengers coming from Morenci, gave the first assistance to the injured men and brought some of them into Clifton. The news spread rapidly and in a few minutes other cars rushed to the scene and brought in the remaining injured ones.

As the Era goes to press hopes are entertained for the recovery of Jarrett although he is in a precarious condition.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Bert Graham, a Carpenter on Shannon Hill, While Temporarily Insane, Slashes Himself With Knife.

While temporarily insane late Friday night, Bert Graham, a carpenter employed by the Shannon Copper company, slashed himself with a pocket knife, inflicting serious but not fatal wounds.

Graham was possessed with the idea that in a fight he had shot and killed two Mexicans and laboring under this hallucination, attempted to take his own life.

The wounded man was removed to the Shannon hospital and is not considered in a dangerous condition.

Back from Imperial.
John C. Gatti returned this week from a trip to Imperial Valley and other points in California where he had been on cattle business. While on this trip Mr. Gatti handled approximately five thousand head of cattle on commission.

week to Cruz Avila to wed Cudelia Valdez; H. C. Mix to wed Lucy C. Kerby; Mathew Gibson to wed Jane Abernathy; G. H. Brooks to wed E. M. Shoemaker; Cruz Arellares to wed Louisa Marin.

Divorce Suits Filed.
In the Superior Court this week Bart Tipton, of Duncan, filed suit for divorce against his wife Sarah Jane Tipton. The couple were married in Grant County, N. M., in 1894. The complaint alleges that the wife deserted the husband in March, 1912, and has continued to live apart from him since that date. The complaint further states that in March of this year a mutual agreement was reached regarding the division of the community property and a permanent decree of divorce is asked of the court.

W. R. Cosper, of Duncan, filed suit for divorce against his wife, Minnie B. Cosper on the grounds of desertion. The couple were married at Richmond, N. M., December 30, 1900. Three children were born of the union. The defendant is now a resident of Mesa, and the trial has been set for June 20th.



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"CORTEZ."

EQUESTRIAN statue executed by Charles Niehaus for the Panama-Pacific International Exposition to be held in San Francisco in 1915. This monument will go at the inner end of one of the oblong pools within the South Gardens, near the main entrance to the Exposition grounds. Mr. Niehaus is one of the foremost American sculptors.

Mrs. J. D. Patty left this week for Emporia, Kansas, where she will visit relatives during the summer months.

Next Term of Court.
The next term of the Superior Court in this County will be held on the third Monday in October.